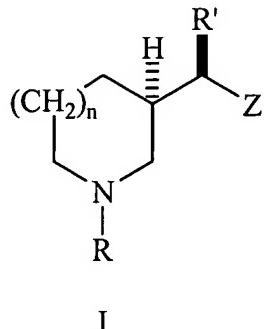


In the claims:

1. **(currently amended)** A compound of formula I:



wherein

n is 1;

R is aralkyl;

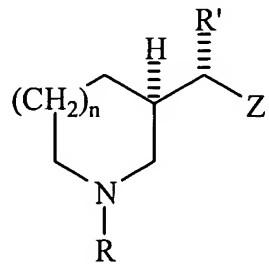
R' is alkyl;

Z is NHR"; and

R" is unsubstituted aryl.

2. **(canceled)**
3. **(canceled)**
4. **(original)** The compound of claim 1, wherein R is -CH₂CH₂Ph.
5. **(canceled)**
6. **(original)** The compound of claim 1, wherein R' is methyl.
7. **(canceled)**
8. **(currently a mended)** The compound of claim 1, wherein [[Z is NHR"; and]] R" is phenyl.
9. **(canceled)**
10. **(canceled)**

11. (canceled)
12. (canceled)
13. (currently amended) The compound of claim 1, wherein [[n is 1;]] R' is Me; [[Z is NHR";]] and R" is phenyl.
14. (canceled)
15. (canceled)
16. (canceled)
17. (currently amended) The compound of claim 1, wherein [[n is 1;]] R is -CH₂CH₂Ph; and R' is methyl.
18. (canceled)
19. (currently amended) The compound of claim 1, wherein [[n is 1;]] R is -CH₂CH₂Ph; R' is methyl; [[Z is NHR";]] and R" is phenyl.
20. (currently amended) A compound of formula II:



II

wherein

n is 1;

R is aralkyl;

R' is alkyl;

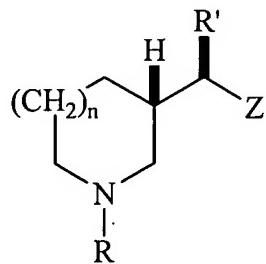
Z is NHR"; and

R" is unsubstituted aryl.

21. (canceled)

22. (canceled)
23. (original) The compound of claim 20, wherein R is -CH₂CH₂Ph.
24. (canceled)
25. (original) The compound of claim 20, wherein R' is methyl.
26. (canceled)
27. (currently amended) The compound of claim 20, wherein [[Z is NHR"; and]] R" is phenyl.
28. (canceled)
29. (canceled)
30. (canceled)
31. (canceled)
32. (currently amended) The compound of claim 20, wherein [[n is 1;]] R' is Me; [[Z is NHR";]] and R" is phenyl.
33. (canceled)
34. (canceled)
35. (canceled)
36. (currently amended) The compound of claim 20, wherein [[n is 1;]] R is -CH₂CH₂Ph; and R' is methyl.
37. (canceled)
38. (currently amended) The compound of claim 20, wherein [[n is 1;]] R is -CH₂CH₂Ph; R' is methyl; [[Z is NHR";]] and R" is phenyl.

39. (currently amended) A compound of formula III:



III

wherein

n is 1;

R is aralkyl;

R' is alkyl;

Z is NHR'' ; and

R'' is unsubstituted aryl.

40. (canceled)

41. (canceled)

42. (original) The compound of claim 39, wherein R is $-\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{Ph}$.

43. (canceled)

44. (original) The compound of claim 39, wherein R' is methyl.

45. (canceled)

46. (currently amended) The compound of claim 39, wherein Z is $[[\text{NHR}''; \text{and}]]$ R'' is phenyl.

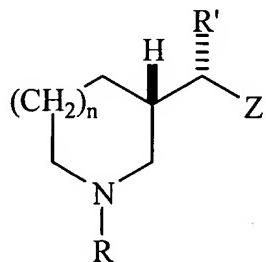
47. (canceled)

48. (canceled)

49. (canceled)

50. (canceled)

51. (currently amended) The compound of claim 39, wherein [[n is 1;]] R' is Me; [[Z is NHR";]] and R" is phenyl.
52. (canceled)
53. (canceled)
54. (canceled)
55. (currently amended) The compound of claim 39, wherein [[n is 1;]] R is -CH₂CH₂Ph; and R' is methyl.
56. (canceled)
57. (currently amended) The compound of claim 39, wherein [[n is 1;]] R is -CH₂CH₂Ph; R' is methyl; [[Z is NHR";]] and R" is phenyl.
58. (currently amended) A compound of formula IV:



IV

wherein

n is 1;

R is aralkyl;

R' is alkyl;

Z is NHR"; and

R" is unsubstituted aryl.

59. (canceled)
60. (canceled)
61. (original) The compound of claim 58, wherein R is -CH₂CH₂Ph.

62. (canceled)
63. (original) The compound of claim 58, wherein R' is methyl.
64. (canceled)
65. (currently amended) The compound of claim 58, wherein [[Z is NHR"; and]] R" is phenyl.
66. (canceled)
67. (canceled)
68. (canceled)
69. (canceled)
70. (currently amended) The compound of claim 58, wherein [[n is 1;]] R' is Me; [[Z is NHR";]] and R" is phenyl.
71. (canceled)
72. (canceled)
73. (canceled)
74. (currently amended) The compound of claim 58, wherein [[n is 1;]] R is -CH₂CH₂Ph; and R' is methyl.
75. (canceled)
76. (currently amended) The compound of claim 58, wherein [[n is 1;]] R is -CH₂CH₂Ph; R' is methyl; [[Z is NHR";]] and R" is phenyl.

Claims 77-104 (canceled)